

114 W Maple Street, Plattsburg, MO, 64477. PO Box 243, Rock Port, MO, 64482. The funding would be used for the construction of drinking water transmission lines. Located in the STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure projects account.

Description of Request: I am requesting funding for the Kansas City Bus Capital Funds, KC, MO project in fiscal year 2009. The entity receiving funding is the KC Area Transportation Authority located at 1200 E. 18th Street, KC, MO 64108. This funding is for the purchase of new busses. Located in the Busses and Bus Facilities account.

Description of Request: I am requesting funding for the U.S. 59/Alabama Grade Separation Project in St. Joseph, MO in fiscal year 2009. The entity receiving funding is the City of St. Joseph's Public Works Department located at 1100 Frederick Ave. St. Joseph, MO 64501. The funding will be used to reduce congestion at US 59 crossing Woods Chapel Road from 1–70 to Valley View. Located in the Interstate Maintenance Discretionary account.

Description of Request: I am requesting funding for the Homeless Shelter Renovation, Kansas City, MO project in fiscal year 2009. The entity receiving funding is Restart Inc. located at 918 E. 9th Street Kansas city, MO 64106. The funding will be used to provide shelter and supportive services to homeless men, women, youth, and families. Located in the Economic Development Initiative account.

Description of Request: I am requesting funding for the Expansion of the Hillyard Vocational Technical Center, St. Joseph, MO project in fiscal year 2009. The entity receiving funding is the St. Joseph, MO School District located at 925 Felix, St. Joseph, MO 64501. The funding will be used to build a science research facility addition to Hillyard Vocational Technical Center. Located in the Economic Development Initiative account.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 23, 2009*

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of [H.R. 1105 Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009]:

Request Member: Congressman DOUG LAMBORN, CO–05.

Bill Number: H.R. 1105.

Account: FL—Federal lands (Public Lands Highways).

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Colorado Department of Transportation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4201 Arkansas Ave #275/ Denver, CO 80222.

Description of Request: \$652,650 is included in this bill to help accelerate intersection improvements at Fort Carson Gates 5 and 6 as well as safety improvements along SH 115 between these two gates.

Bill Number: H.R. 1105.

Account: FL—Federal lands (Public Lands Highways).

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Colorado Department of Transportation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4201 Arkansas Ave #275/ Denver, CO 80222.

Description of Request: \$2,280,000 is included in this bill to pay for preliminary and final design for full access to Peterson Air Force Base from Powers Boulevard. Peterson Air Force Base has recently completed improvements to its west gate, which is the main access point into the base from Powers Boulevard. This will address mobility and future congestion at the Powers Boulevard intersection by providing an interchange.

#### HONORING MR. RAY CLARK

### HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 23, 2009*

Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Ray Clark for his years of service to the Plant City community and to the students at Plant City High School.

Mr. Clark began his tenure teaching agriculture at Plant City High in 1972, before I was even born. He taught agriculture for 36 years at Plant City and retired as the head of the agriculture department.

He has shared his extensive knowledge of agriculture with thousands of students throughout the years and has left a significant mark on Plant City and the agriculture community in the State of Florida.

Mr. Clark has encouraged his students to participate in the FFA organization. Assisted by his leadership, the Plant City FFA chapters have produced 5 National FFA Officers and 17 State FFA Officers.

In addition to his dedication to the students at Plant City, Ray Clark has selflessly devoted countless hours to the community, participating in a variety of organizations—from the Hillsborough County Classroom Teachers Association to the National Wild Turkey Federation to the Florida Cattleman's Association. He is also a former member of the National Guard.

Ray Clark has been an outstanding public servant to our city and the State of Florida. I want to thank him for his service, and invite my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Ray Clark upon the occasion of his retirement. I wish him a long and happy retirement.

#### DR. DIETHER H. HAENICKE

### HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 23, 2009*

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of the illustrious life of Dr. Dieter H. Haenicke, president emeritus and distinguished professor at Western Michigan University.

From 1985 to 1998, Dieter served as the University's fifth president, while later serving as interim president for the 2006–07 academic year. During his 13-year presidency, WMU emerged as one of the leading public research institutions in the nation, becoming a pioneer in the life sciences. A lifelong champion of international study, the University's Office of Study Abroad and Department of Foreign Languages flourished during his tenure as well. At

the same time, the University also conducted a successful multi-million dollar capital campaign that allowed for the construction of many major buildings across campus as well as the major renovation of several others.

Shortly after retiring from the presidency in 1998, Dieter began writing a popular weekly column in the Kalamazoo Gazette, which continued for over 10 years. The subject matter of his column ranged broadly from reflections on his childhood in Germany and his experiences as a naturalized citizen to commentaries on current events and musings on the absurdities of campus life. Like the man himself, these writings often gave the community a moment of pause.

Not only a successful administrator, but a widely respected intellectual in his own right, Dieter came to the United States as a Fulbright lecturer in the early 1960s. Having earned a doctorate, magna cum laude, from the University of Munich in 1962, he was the author of hundreds of published works on such diverse matters as comparative literature, history, academic administration, and international study.

In his so-called retirement, Dieter remained actively engaged within the University and also involved himself in countless civic and charitable organizations throughout southwest Michigan.

There truly was no better friend to the University and the greater Kalamazoo community than Dieter. And while his intellect, humor, and constant guidance will be sorely missed, perhaps the qualities that will be remembered most were his genuine approachability and astonishing gift for friendship. Throughout his career, thousands were fortunate enough to look to Dieter as a friend and mentor—incoming first-year students and Members of Congress alike.

May the Haenicke family find comfort in knowing the far-reaching impact that Dieter had upon his community and those who were attracted by the university he built up. American higher education has lost one of the best and so have we all lost a supporter of the greater good.

#### THE STUDENT PROTECTION ACT

### HON. ADAM H. PUTMAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 23, 2009*

Mr. PUTMAN. Madam Speaker, on January 28, 2009, I reintroduced the Student Protection Act, a measure aimed at protecting our nation's classrooms from repeat sexual predators within our school systems.

The Student Protection Act requires uniform reporting requirements for eligible school system employees accused of sexual misconduct against a student, consistent with established guidelines for reporting child abuse; it requires a central body in each state to be responsible for receiving and investigating allegations of sexual misconduct by school employees; and it creates a nationwide database of school employees sanctioned by the state for sexual misconduct—thus enabling state, local, and private school officials to ensure offenders remain out of the classroom.